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BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR

1957

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Dr. P.D.H. Chapman B.A., M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab).

and

THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

G. Anderson
A.R.S.H., C.S.I.B.





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BRIDIINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Public Health Department, Council Offices Midland Bank Chambers, Westgate, Bridlington.

Madam Chairman, Councillor Mrs. Wadsworth and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report on the health of the Rural District for the year 1957.

General Statistics

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Area of District	66,903 acres
Population of Area (Estimated from the Registrar- General's figures)	9,380
Total number of Rated Properties in the District Private dwellings including agricultural Shops with private dwellings Shops without private dwellings Hotels and Boarding Houses Public Houses Miscellaneous hereditaments other than classified above	3,712 3,267 74 69 2 23
Rateable Value 1957/58	£76,609
Product of Penny Rate at 31st March, 1956	£168 11s. 11.300d

Vital Statistics

Live Births	Ma.le	Female	Total
Legitimate	60 1	67	127
. Number of Horses.	61	70	131

Birth-rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population ... 15.78
Rate per thousand (Total live and stillbirths) 15.90

Deaths

Male	Female	Total
54	44	98

Death-rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 9.92

There were no deaths from Puerperal Causes.

Infant Mortality

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	1 1	2
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	7	7	2
	4	7	2

Zymotic Diseases

There were no deaths from Zymotic Diseases, i.e. Smallpox, Measles, Whooping Gough, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria Enteric Fever, Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years).

Comparability factors used to calculate above rates were 1.12 for Births and 0.96 for Deaths.

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Infectious Disease

Diseases notified during year

Disease	Total Notified	Admitted to Sanatorium	Deaths
Measles	90 5	atorius Povisions	3
Whooping Cough Dysentery	5	pored for at the St	Rilla's

Case rate per 1,000 population

Measles	. 9.06
Pneumonia	. 0.53
Whooping Cough	. 0.53
Dysentery	. 0.106

Tuberculosis

No. of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1957:-

	Male	Female	Total
Pulmonery	34-	21	55
Non-pulmonary	10	13	23

New cases notified during year: -

	Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	2	2	4
Non-pulmonary	0	0	0

Vaccination and Immunisation

1. Number of persons vaccinated or re-vaccinated during the year 1957

Age at Date of Vaccination:	Under 1	1 yr.	2 - 4	5 - 14	15 or over	Tota1
Number vaccinated	40	ı	2	2	311 111	48
Number re-vaccinated	es will b	o util3	1	3	3	7

 Number of children at 31st December, 1957 who had completed a course of immunisation at any time before that date i.e. at any time since 1st January, 1943

Age at 31.12.57 i.e. born in year	Under 1 1957		2 1955		4 1953	5 - 9 1948 - 1952	10 - 14 1943-1947	
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 Number of children immunised during the year ended 31st December, 1957 (Figures also included in 2. above)

Under	5	5 -	14	Total	Boosters
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Hospitals and Sanatorium Provisions

The Chronic sick continue to be cared for at the St. Hilda's Hospital, Whitby and at the General Werds of the Avenue Hospital, Bridlington the Bempton Lene Hospital, Bridlington and St. Mary's Hospital, Scarborouch,

Public Health Laboratory Service

Bacteriological examination of samples of water and milk continues to be carried out by the Public Health Leboratory in Hull, under the direction of Dr. J.H. McCoy

Sewage Disposal

<u>Haisthorpe</u>: Plans are complete and work will soon begin on the modern sewerage of the village of Haisthorpe. Sewage disposal works will also be built.

Humanby: The sewage disposal works of this large village have long been inefficient. It could be said that in the old days, villagers in Humanby disposed of their sewage in their own gardens and ditches, but that now they dispose of it into other peoples ditches by means of the inefficient sewage works. The 'other people' are unfortunate farmers into whose ditches the foul effluent from the sewage works is discharged. This, I hope, is going to be changed.

A great deal of work has been done by your Senior Public Health Inspector and by your Consulting Engineers Messrs. Fairbank & Son in tracking down the sources of the excessive surface water which enters the sewers during rainfall and which swamp the sawage works at these times.

To divert this clean surface water from the foul sewers, it will be necessary to modify the village drains and to re-sewer certain roads. Disused surface water courses will be utilised to carry away surface water.

This will cost a lot of money and financial assistance will be sought from the Ministry of Heelth and from the County Council. There are many competing claims on the countries resources, but all political parties must admit that efficient sewage disposal is a primary need in any advanced society. Sewage is the most beautifully classless thing there is.

Housing

In the 1936 Slum Glearence Programme 211 dwelling houses were certified for demolition, 42 of these remain undemolished and 6 have been illegally re-occupied.

In the 1956 Slum Clearance Programme the Minister of Housing and Local Government confirmed demolition orders for 26 dwelling houses. Only 3 have been demolished.

Condemned houses should be demolished. Unoccupied and forlorn they stend, an eyesore in the villages. They occupy useful building sites and waste the time of the Public Health Staff whose duty it is to see that such houses are not illegally re-occupied.

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Staff

Mr. H. Fell, formerly Deputy Senior Public Health Inspector of Hartismere Rural District Council, Suffolk, was appointed Additional Public Health Inspector.

I am, Madam Chairman, Councillor Mrs. Wadsworth and Gentlemen.

Your obedient Servent.

Medical Officer of Health. P.DHClopman

October, 1958.

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ANNUAL REPORT 1957

To the Chairman and Mombers of the Bridlington Rural District Council.

Madam Chairman, Councillor Mrs. Wadsworth and Gentlemen.

The following is the Annual Report of the Senior Public Health Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1957, a year of Staff changes. Confirmation of my appointment as Senior Public Health Inspector in the early part of the year was closely followed by the appointment of the Additional Public Health Inspector and a Clerk.

Immediate steps were taken to re-organise the methods and working of the Department, problems were met and overcome, once more my thanks are due to all members of the Staff who assisted so readily at that time.

GENERAL

A summary of the visits made by the Public Health Inspectors during 1957 is appended below:-

Summary

Housing Acts	20
Public Health	215
Food Premises	73
	312
Meat & Slaughterhouse Inspection	
Factories	. 5
Rodent Control	10
Public Cleansing	223
Council House Maintenance	964
Camps, Vans, Tents etc	42
Sewage Works and Drainage Inspection	610
	5
Tater Supplies	
Milk Legislation	10
Sale of Scrap	4
Anthrax Orders	3
Petroleum Licences	25
Total	2521
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PUBLIC CLEANSING - REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The decline in the number of collections of household refuse made in the smaller parishes which become apparent during 1956 continued. Sixteen collections were made although at Hunmanby, Flamborough and Bempton R.A.F. Camp a fortnightly collection was maintained throughout the year.

Mechanical failure of the refuse vehicle was largely responsible for the curtailment of the service, one other contributory factor being the steady increase in the amounts of refuse collected.

Arrangements are in train for supplementing the present wehicle with a further refuse vehicle - this will without doubt improve the collection service considerably.

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Refuse tips used by the Council during the year are located as follows:-

Hunmanby: Heather Stay Hill Privately Owned
Carneby: Hopkin Iene -doRudston: Old Chelk Pit, Woldgate -doRudston: Chelk Pit, Ititlethorpe -doBurton Floring: White Hill Querry
Reighton: Stonepit, Stonepit Lene

Tips are sealed as effectively as possible with materials readily available on the tips, the work has become soul destroying! when considered in relation to the quentities of refuse handled. All levelling has to be done by hand. Without mechanical equipment for this work and noting the continued increase in quantities of refuse handled, the future holds little prospect for a good standard of maintenance and control on refuse tips.

The need for Nightsoil Collection in Flamborough and Hummanby is slowly diminishing, a weekly collection is still being maintained from 16 properties in Flamborough and 27 properties in Hummanby.

RODENT CONTROL

Treatment in accordance with Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food approved practice was cerried out by the Council's Foreman as a result of complaint and inspection.

Refuse Tips, Sewage Works and Sewers were treated as necessary. Ministry of Acriculture, Fisheries and Food Officials and Officials of this Council keep up close contact in all matters relative to this work.

It was intimated by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food that with effect from April, 1958 the service of Rodent Control offered to fermers by the Ministry would be 'run down' and coase entirely in Merch, 1959. Rodent Operators employed within this service will during that time, terminate contracts undertaken by the Ministry. It is anticipated rodent operators will contract on termination of their service with the Ministry to control infestations on private property; a return to 'free enterprise'.

FOOD AND MEAT INSPECTION

Vehicles used for the retail sale and delivery of meat were inspected. Improvement in standards of hygiene, practice and quality of meat, is apparent when considered in relation to provious years. Efforts continue to be made to stimulate the upward trend in these stradards.

slaughter of animals on Sundays and et night time is carried out at some slaughterhouses within the District. These times are extremely inconvenient to the Public Health Inspectors. Since the issue of the initial post wer licences in 1954 this practice has continued, it is hoped that with the advent of new legislation steps will be taken to control times of slaughter. Late time of slaughter causes much unnecessary work for the Inspectorate who of late have developed the cherecteristics of the 'will o' the wisp'. The Council may consider this worthy of note before rumour suggests the Inspectors' nocturnal wenderings are prompted by less honourable intent....

Food declard unfit for human consumption as a result of inspection and surrendered voluntarily to the Public Health Department was disposed of at the Council's Refuse Tips. Control of the second of the s

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During 1957 2 carcases comprising 104 lbs. of meat, 22 lbs. offal (mutton and pork) and 7 lbs. of tinned food comprising commod boef and stewed steek, were inspected and found to be unfit for human consumption, resulting in disposal of the unfit food.

ICE CREAM

Control was exercised on storage and distribution methods; promises and vehicles used for the retail sale of ice cream were inspected, hygiene and practice was found to be satisfactory.

No registration was authorised for ice cream to be manufactured within the District.

CAMPS, TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS

Throughout the year owners of camps have been pressing the Council through officials, to provide refuse collection facilities to camps within the District. Certainly, as in the case of the Southern area camp owners are experiencing difficulty in disposing of refuse and without proper vehicles and careful, trained staff, methods leave much to be desired, both for speed and senitary practice.

SEWERAGE AND SEVAGE DISPOSAL

Routing work of maintenance and supervision of the Council's Sewage Works and Plant continued.

Humanby: A comprehensive survey was made of the Humanby Sewerage System. Resultant from the survey the Council now have a complete picture of the limitations of the sewage works itself and the anomalous situation in the village where surface water has been connected to the sewer without restriction. Conditions at the sewage works during reinstorms have to be seen to be believed. Alterations to relieve flooding at the sewage works are possible but not without considerable expenditure. Without works to redirect surface water to dykes and ditches and in addition, alterations at the sewage works, the situation will become worse. Each year more houses are built and others are improved by installation of baths and water closets, presenting an ever growing problem.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS

Complaints and nuisances were dealt with as they arose, notices requiring compliance with the Public Health Act, 1936 were served, all notices being informal.

Yours faithfully,
Sonior Public Health Inspector.

October, 1958.

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